

# NATIONAL ORGANIZATION SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM

## Type of Memorial (check all applicable)

☐ Monument ☐ *with* Sculpture ☐ without Sculpture ☐ with *Cannon* ☐ standalone Cannon  
☒ Historical Marker ☒ Plaque ☐ Other ( flag pole, G.A.R. buildings, stained glass windows, etc.)

## Affiliation

☐ GAR ☐ MOLLUS ☐ SUVCW ☐ WRC ☐ ASUVCW  
☐ LGAR ☐ DUVCW ☐ Other

If known, record name and number of post, camp, corps, auxiliary, tent, circle or appropriate information of other groups:

## Original Dedication Date 7 July 2015

Please consult any/all newspaper archives for a local paper's article that would have information on the *first* dedication ceremony and/or other facts on the memorial. Please submit a copy of your findings with full identification of the paper & date of publication. Thank you.

## Location

The Memorial is *currently* located at:

Street/Road address or site location Water Street

GPS Coordinates N37.30484 W89.51759

City/Village &/or Township Cape Girardeau

County Cape Girardeau

State Missouri

Zip Code 63073

The front of the Memorial faces: ☐ North ☐ South ☒ East ☐ West

## Government Body, Agency, or Individual Owner

Name City of Cape Girardeau

Dept./Div. Parks and Recreation

Street Address 410 Kiwanas Drive

City Cape Girardeau

State Missouri

Zip Code 63701

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone ( 573 ) 339.6300 ext \_\_\_\_\_

Is Memorial on the National Register of Historic Places ☐ Yes ☒ No ID # if known \_\_\_\_\_

## For Monuments with/without sculpture:

### Physical Details

Material of Monument or base under a Sculpture or Cannon = ☐ Stone ☐ Concrete ☒ Metal ☒ Other

If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) Laminate

Material of the Sculpture ☐ Stone ☐ Concrete ☐ Metal ☐ Other Is it hollow or solid? \_\_\_\_\_

If known, name specific material (color of granite, marble, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_

Material of Plaque or Historical Marker / Tablet = Laminate supported by metal stand

Material of Cannon = \_\_\_\_\_ Bronze \_\_\_\_\_ Iron    Type of Cannon (if known) \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ Rifled \_\_\_\_ YES \_\_\_\_ NO

Markings: Muzzle \_\_\_\_\_ Base Ring/Breech \_\_\_\_\_  
 Left Trunion \_\_\_\_\_ Right Trunion \_\_\_\_\_  
 Is inert ammunition a part of the Memorial? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

[For camp/department monuments officer's use: Cannon on list of known ordnance] \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

## Materials of the Memorial


**Approximate Dimensions** (indicate unit of measure) - taken from tallest / widest points

3.5 ft (approx.)	Height	18 in	Width	24 in	Depth or	Diameter
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**Markings/Inscriptions** (on stone-work / metal-work of monument, base, sculpture)

Maker or Fabricator mark / name? If so, give name & location found

Please attach legible photographs of all text &/or Record the text in the space below. Please use the addendum – narrative sheet if necessary.



**Environmental Setting**

(The general vicinity and immediate locale surrounding a memorial can play a major role in its overall condition.)

**Type of Location**

☐ Cemetery ☒ Park ☐ Plaza/Courtyard ☐ "Town Square" ☐ Post Office  
☐ School ☐ Municipal Building ☐ State Capitol ☐ Courthouse ☐ College Campus  
☐ Traffic Circle ☐ Library Other: \_\_\_\_\_

**General Vicinity**

☐ Rural (low population, open land) ☐ Suburban (residential, near city) ☒ Town ☐ Urban / Metropolitan

**Immediate Locale** (check as many as may apply)

☐ Industrial ☒ Commercial ☒ Street/Roadside within 20 feet ☐ Tree Covered (overhanging branches)  
☐ Protected from the elements (canopy or enclosure, indoors) ☐ Protected from the public (fence or other barrier)

Any other significant environmental factor Along the Mississippi River and would be underwater if the river did does not hold.

The plaques face a mural, which is reproduced on the placard.

[To detail the condition of a monument used the addendum form for *Monument's Condition*]

**Supplemental Background Information**

In addition to your on-site survey, any additional information you can provide on the described Memorial will be welcomed. Please label each account with its source (author, title, publisher, date, pages). Topics include any reference to the points listed on this questionnaire, plus any previous conservation treatments - or efforts to raise money for treatment.

Addendums attached to this electronic file are the *Monument's Condition* and the *Narrative* forms. Only the *Monument's Condition* form is required if you are requesting grant money using form CWM-62 *SUVCW Memorial Grant Application Form and Instructions*.

Thank you.

Inspector Identification

Date of On-site Survey 28 March A. D. 2020

Your Name Sumner Gary Hunnewell

Address 2030 San Pedro Drive

City Arnold

State MO

Zip Code 63010

Telephone (636 ) 464-3856

E-Mail HildifonsTook@prodigy.net

Are you a member of the Allied Orders of the G.A.R.? If so, which one?

SUVCW, Department of Missouri, Gen. Thomas C. Fletcher Camp #47

Please send this completed form to:

Walt Busch, PDC, Chair  
 1240 Konert Valley Dr.  
 Fenton, MO 63026  
 (314) 630-8407  
 webusch@hotmail.com

Thank you for your help, and attention to detail.

**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR – CIVIL WAR MEMORIALS COMMITTEE.**

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CIVIL WAR MEMORIAL ASSESSMENT FORM  
ADDENDUM – MONUMENT'S CONDITION

Completion of this form is required when requesting grant money using form CWM-62 *SUVCW Memorial Grant Application Form and Instructions*.

## Condition Information

### Structural Condition (check as many as may apply)

The following section applies to Monuments with Sculpture, and Monuments without Sculpture including the base for Monuments with Cannon. Instability in the sculpture and its base can be detected by a number of factors. Indicators may be obvious or subtle. Visually examine the sculpture and its base.

	Sculpture	Base
If hollow, is the internal support unstable/exposed? (Look for signs of exterior rust)	_____	_____
Any evidence of structural instability? (Look for cracked joints, missing mortar or caulking or plant growth)	_____	_____
Any broken or missing parts? (Look for elements (i.e., sword, musket, hands, arms, etc. - missing due to vandalism, fluctuating weather conditions, etc.)	_____	_____
Any cracks, splits, breaks or holes? (Also look for signs of uneven stress & weakness in the material)	_____	_____

### Surface Appearance (check as many as may apply)

	Sculpture	Base
Black crusting	_____	_____
White crusting	_____	_____
Etched, pitted, or otherwise corroded (on metal)	_____	_____
Metallic staining (run-off from copper, iron, etc.)	_____	_____
Organic growth (moss, algae, lichen or vines)	_____	_____
Chalky or powdery stone	_____	_____
Granular eroding of stone	_____	_____
Spalling of stone (surface splitting off)	_____	_____
Droppings (bird, animal, insect remains)	_____	_____
Other (e.g., spray paint graffiti) - Please describe...	_____	_____

Does water collect in recessed areas of the Memorial? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Unable to tell

### Surface Coating

Does there appear to be a coating? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Unable to determine

If known, identify type of coating.

\_\_\_\_ Gilded \_\_\_\_ Painted \_\_\_\_ Varnished \_\_\_\_ Waxed \_\_\_\_ Unable to determine

Is the coating in good condition? \_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_ No \_\_\_\_ Unable to determine

### Basic Surface Condition Assessment (check one)

In your opinion, what is the general appearance or condition of the Memorial?

\_\_\_\_ Well maintained \_\_\_\_ Would benefit from treatment \_\_\_\_ In urgent need of treatment \_\_\_\_ Unable to determine

Briefly describe the Memorial (affiliation / overall condition & any concern not already touched on) .

Inspector's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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ADDENDUM – NARRATIVE

[Generally used to record the text of monuments, but may be used for any other useful information, such as if the monument has been moved or if you have information about the day of dedication. May repeat use of page as often as necessary.]

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TEXT

Three Sections on placard:

Inspector's Name Sumner Gary Hunnewell

Date 1 April A. D. 2020







MISSISSIPPI RIVER TALES MURAL

1861

RIVER HERITAGE MURAL ASSOCIATION

## Civil War

The Civil War left its mark on Cape Girardeau, which is why this mural contains three scenes depicting the conflict.

The mural to the left is the Civil War-era view from **FORT A**, one of four forts constructed in Cape Girardeau by Union forces during the summer of 1861. Fort A was located on the **BLUFF** that can be seen just west of the first panel of the Mississippi River Tales Mural.



### FORT D

The earthen walls of Fort D are the only portion of the Cape Girardeau's four forts that still exist. Just 1.3 miles south of this location, visitors can tour the grounds, learning more through the interpretive signage.

Encircling Cape Girardeau, these forts provided protection from attack by land or water. **FORT C** guarded the western and southern approaches to the city and blocked access by Confederate forces.

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Interpretive signage sponsored in part by the Missouri Humanities Council with support from the National Endowment for the Humanities.



## Grant vs. Prentiss

Cape Girardeau became a fortified and occupied community during the Civil War. Newly-appointed Brigadier Generals **ULYSSES S. GRANT** and **BENJAMIN PRENTISS** reached Cape Girardeau on the same day with conflicting orders of command. This image recounts a **HEATED ARGUMENT** the two generals had over rank. A shouting match took place in which Grant emerged the winner. Prentiss returned to St. Louis while Grant went on to battle in Vicksburg, MS, as well as Shiloh and Chattanooga, TN, and later became President.

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